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SUBJECT: OU 7-13/14 Comprehensive RI/FS - Transmittal of In Situ Grouting Treatability

Study Work Plan - (OPE-ER-63-99)

Dear Messrs. Poeton and Winter:

Enclosed please find the draft In Situ Grouting Treatability Study Work Plan. This document outlines our proposed approach to obtain implementability and performance data on this technology. Please review the document and provide comments to strengthen the treatability study. As we have discussed, your willingness to provide comments within three weeks (on or before May 19, 1999) would expedite the project. If for any reason this schedule becomes untenable, please call and we will make other arrangements.

As we discussed on the April 27, 1999 conference call, for the Confinement During Retrieval test, we are reanalyzing the assumptions regarding the Material at Risk, which provide the basis for the dust reduction performance goal. Any proposed changes to the work plan resulting from this new analysis will be coordinated with you as part of the comment resolution process. In addition, detailed design of tests, equipment, and procedures will be documented in the test plan and, with your concurrence, may alter some of the information presented in this Work Plan.

Sincerely,

Alan T. Jines. P.E.

WAG 7 Manager

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